देश में औद्योगिक रुग्णता

1306. **श्री राम जेठमलानी:** क्या उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि देश में बड़ी संख्या में औद्योगिक इकाइयां रुग्ण पायी जा रही हैं,

(ख) यदि हां, तो मार्च, 1997 तक कुल कितनी लघु इकाइयां रुग्ण हो चुकी थीं,

(ग) इन रुग्ण इकाइयों में कुल कितना पूंजी निवेश होने का अनुमान है, और

(घ) क्या सरकार द्वारा इस अनुत्पादक पूंजी को उत्पादन क्षेत्र में पुनःसक्रिय करने के लिए कोई कार्य योजना तैयार की गई है और यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है?

उद्योग मंत्री (श्री मुरासोली मारन): (क) से (ग) भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक द्वारा अनुसूचित/व्यावसायिक बैंकों से एकत्रित आंकड़ों के अनुसार मार्च, 1995 के अन्त तक 2,68,815 लघु उद्योग एककों के रुग्ण होने की सूचना थी। भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक द्वारा उपलब्ध नवीनतम आंकड़ों के अनुसार मार्च, 1996 के अन्त में रुग्ण लघु उद्योग एककों की संख्या कम होकर 2,62,376 रह गयी है। मार्च, 1996 के अन्त तक रुग्ण लघु उद्योग एककों पर अनुसूचित/व्यावसायिक बैंकों के 3721.94 करोड़ रुपये की राशि बकाया है।

(ख) नायक समिति की सिफारिशों के आधार पर, भारतीय रिजर्व बैंकों को रुग्ण लघु उद्योग एककों की संशोधित परिभाषा, पुनर्वास हेतु घटायी गयी ब्याज दर, निर्धारित किये गये रुग्ण एककों के लिए त्वरित व्यवहार्य अध्ययन/उपचार कार्यक्रम, रुग्ण औद्योगिक एककों को देखने हेतु महत्वपूर्ण क्षेत्रीय केन्द्रों और मुख्यालयों पर प्रकोष्ठ स्थापित करने और तकनीकी पहलुओं को देखने हेतु तकनीकी कर्मियों सहित विशेषज्ञ स्टाफ के प्रावधान की सलाह दी है। रुग्ण एककों को पुनर्जीवित करने हेतु राज्य सरकारों के उद्योग सचिवों की अध्यक्षता में "राज्य स्तरीय अंतरसंस्थागत समितियां" मौजूद हैं।

Revival of PSUs

1307. SHRI E. BALANANDAN: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any plan to revive public sector units in problem;

(b) if so, what is the plan; and

(c) how the Government are planning to implement the plan?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) and (b) The Government's policy on Central Public Sector Enterprises have been spelt out in the Common Minimum Programme, which *inter-alia* includes the revival of loss making and sick enterprises.

(c) The sick industrial public enterprises are registered with Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) for formulation of revival/rehabilitation packages. In respect of loss making public enterprises, the managements of the enterprises in consultation with the administrative Ministry take necessary steps to improve their performance through suitable measures. These measures are mostly enterprise specific, although in some cases, sectoral strategies may also be worked out. The Ministry of Industry has worked out some strategies for restructuring enterprises under its administrative control in the Deptt. of Heavy Industry.

Capacity utilisation by Hindustan Newsprint Ltd

1308. SHRI S.M. KRISHNA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of capacity utilisation achieved by Hindustan Newsprint Ltd. during last three years, year-wise;

(b) the quantity of newsprint imported by various newspaper establishment during last two years, year-wise and the countries from where the newsprint imported;

(c) whether Government are aware that imported newsprint of inferior quality and the C&F price was lower than the price of indigenous newsprint harming thereby the overall interest of HNL;

(d) whether HNL management has demanded removal of newsprint industry from Open General Licence, if so, the reaction of government thereto; and

(e) whether Government have given clearance to HNL for installation of Deinking Plant, if not, the reasons for delay in clearance?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURSOLI MARAN): (a)

Year	Capacity Utilisation (%)
1994-95	105.37
1995-96	101.11
1996-97	70.29

(b) Newsprint is mainly imported from USA, Canada, Russia, China, Germany, Sweden etc. The import of newsprint during the last two years is:

Year	Quantity
	(Lakhs/ton)
1995-96	3.45
1996-97	5.47

(c) Representations have been received regarding import of large quantity of cheaper imported newsprint into the country affecting the indigenous newsprint industry including Hindustan Newsprint Limited.

(d) Representations have been received from Indian Newsprint Manufacturers Association of which Hindustan Newsprint Limited is a member for imposing restriction on the import of newsprint and on 29.1.97 Government imposed "Actual User Condition" for import of newsprint.

(e) Government have not received fresh proposal for setting up of deinking Plant from Hindustan Newsprint Limited (HNL).

Growth in cement export

1309. SHRI J. CHITHARANJAN: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are satisfied with the present growth in cement exports; and

(b) how much quantity of cements have been exported to the countries in the Middle-East and South-East Asia?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) Yes, Sir. The exports of cement and clinker has gone up from 0.36 million tonnes in 1991-92 to 3.17 million tonnes in 1994-95, but it declined to 2.38 million tonnes in 1995-96 due to firm domestic demand in that year. Exports, however, shot up to 2.73 million tonnes in 1996-97.

(b) The quantity of cement including clinker exported to the countries in the Middle-East and South East Asia during the years 1995-96 and 1996-97 are as follows:—

Name of the Country	Export of cement including clinker *(In Tonnes)*	
	1995-96	1996-97
Nepal	498617	618126
Bangladesh	516661	460006
Maldives	41666	31660
Sri Lanka	412159	393190
Mauritius	40086	8303
Pakistan	17284	—
Burma	11982	15017
U.A.E.	333708	266298
Bahrain	5566	—
TOTAL	1877729	1792600

Improvement in the functioning of PSUs

1310. SHRI J. CHITHARANJAN: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken to modernise and improve the functioning of the Central Public Sector Undertakings; and

(b) the efforts made to get the Cooperation and involvement of the